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Your PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is only a few months ago that we sent letters to the Federal Minister of Agriculture, and the Chief Commissioner of the Wheat Board, in which higher initial payments for coarse grains were requested. In return we received a letter from the assistant of the Minister of Agriculture and the Chief Grain Commissioner. The Chief Grain Commissioner of the Wheat Board stated that the Board was not authorized to make such a decision—which was well known to us—and the other letter stated that the matter, at the earliest possible opportunity would be brought to the attention of the minister. Since then no decision has been made as yet, though in reality such a decision doesn't seem to difficult.

Everybody who looks at the coarse grain prices quoted in the daily papers or farm publications, and then at the initial payment for these grains made to the farmer, wonders himself why these initial prices aren't set at a higher level. To that "everbody" belong quite a few farmers apparently, because the question cropped up at many district conventions.

The request for higher initial payments seems more than reasonable. No argument can be brought forward against the principle that the farmer is entitled to initial payments set at a level which enables the Wheat Board to do its work but does not enable this same Board to create large bank accounts, which are held in trust for the farmers.

When this principle is accepted and adhered to less farmers will be forced to borrow money while considerable amounts are held by the Wheat Board.

In a certain way coarse grains are outside the realm of the Wheat Board. The explanation for this is that, when it was discussed whether coarse grains should also be handled by the Wheat Board, strong objections were raised by the feeders. Their reasoning was that prices would go up when all coarse grains had to be sold to the Board. Therefore no decision was made to appoint the Board as the sole purchaser of coarse grains. It handles

these grains, but very large amounts of them are sold through other channels.

We can safely say that at this moment, with a shortage of feed grains, not one bushel of coarse grains is sold to the Wheat Board. This is more than understandable. Nobody has any trouble selling feed grain. Using the services of the Wheat Board to sell it, would cost the farmer extra money, because he must pay storage charges in each case.

When all the facts are known, it becomes clearer why there is no change in the initial payments, because the Wheat Board hardly handles coarse grains. However, these payments should be raised, because, as stated above, the principle is involved that all initial payments ought to be set at the highest possible level, leaving just enough "play" for the Wheat Board to do their work.

HOG MARKETING BOARD

Have you sent in the Questionnaire about a Hog Marketing Board, printed in the June issue? If not, then do it right now. Mail to:

Farmers' Union of Alberta,
9934 - 106 Street,
Edmonton, Alta.



The petite, pretty Jr. F.U.A. Queen, Pheona Kuehn, Warner

TALKS PICKED UP ON THE ROAD

Here are some short ideas which we heard when talking with different people. We give them without any comment. They aren't expression of policy, but they may form the basis for a few minutes of thinking or discussion.

FREEDOM — "No word is more misused and misunderstood. There has never been complete freedom. What freedoms there were have been enjoyed only by those who were strongest, physically, but mostly economically. Fear was the companion of all not on top of the heap. Society has cut down many freedoms of those who ruled. Thus freedoms have been created for those who had never known any. Responsibility gained a place in people's thinking. The battle cry for more freedom is nothing else than a cry for privileges."

UNITY — "What's the use of talking with different voices?" "We are all farmers. Why can't we start thinking on and working for what binds us all together instead of splitting up, looking for what small thing could divide us? With good common sense, the differences can be straightened out. They are more in the mind than they are real." "Not what perhaps could divide us is worth fighting for — it is what unites us."

HOG MARKETING — "I'm in favor of a Board, but is a change, and I don't like changes." "We must get a Board and get it fast. We are dragging farther behind the rest of society every new day, and we have only ourselves to blame for it." "Let's get the job done. We, the farmers, should have done it already years ago."

BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS

After deducting all expenses, but before payment of income tax, Calgary Power made from 1954 till 1961 the following profits:

1954	\$ 6,089,000
1955	6,572,000
1956	8,078,000
1957	8,639,000
1958	9,487,000
1959	10,759,000
1960	12,002,000
1961	13,129,000

In only 7 years time profits were doubled.

Canadian Utilities apparently didn't want to stay behind in the race for higher profits. Their net profits, before payment of income tax, grew from

\$1,120,000 in 1954

to

2,774,000 in 1961

Northland Utilities, also a member of the group, did comparatively even better:

1964	\$275,000
1961	869,000

Any farmer able to show a comparable growth of income over this same period of seven years is welcome to any space in The Organized Farmer to explain how he got such fantastic results.

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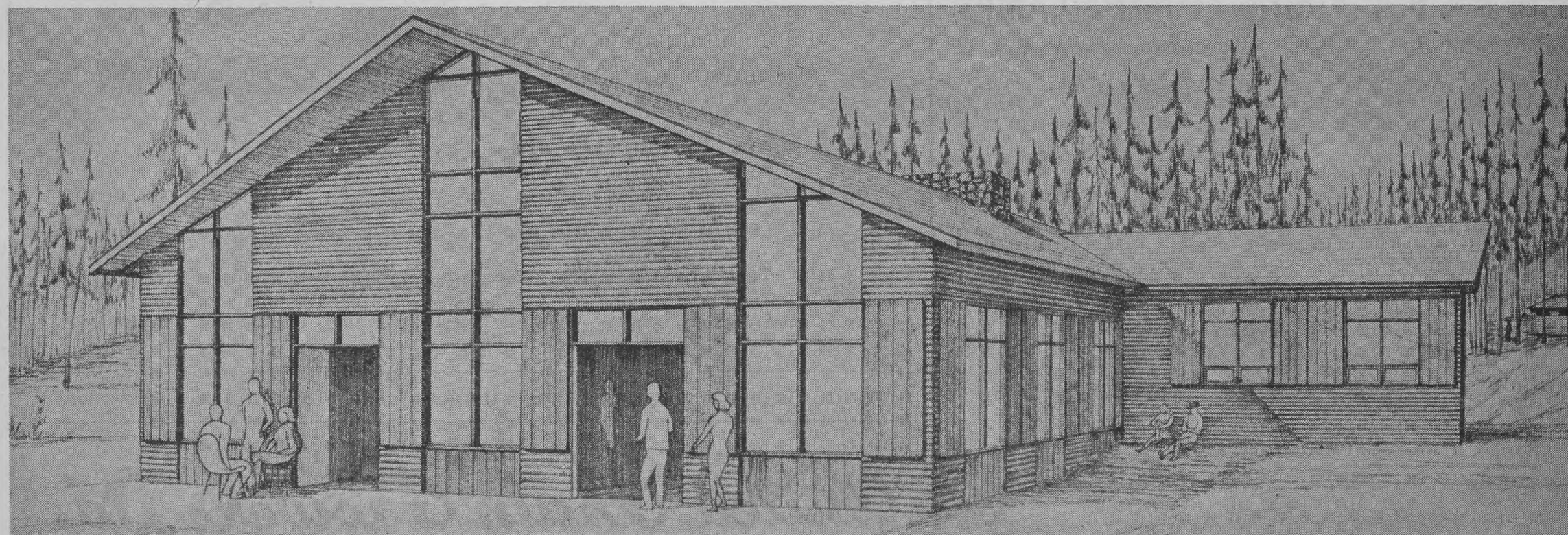
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of the membership

District	No. of Units May 31/62	No. of Units Oct. 31/61		
1	1781	1838	Down	57
2	1670	1660	Up	10
3	1226	1324	Down	98
4	1756	1585	Up	171
5	1322	1373	Down	51
6	1951	2273	Down	322
7	2211	2204	Up	7
8	1958	1927	Up	31
9	2200	2262	Down	62
10	3042	2931	Up	111
11	1270	1298	Down	28
12	1805	1983	Down	178
13	711	869	Down	158
14	1316	1489	Down	173
	24,219	25,016		

Buffalo Lake Livestock Co-operative

Robert Stone, Ward Barritt and Humphrey Parlyb were elected as directors for the next two years of the Buffalo Lake Livestock Co-operative at the annual meeting of this organization, held June 19 at Mirror. Handlings of hogs and cattle were slightly higher than last year, and more than \$800 is available for dividends. Payments of the dividends will not be made until October when the financial picture of the Co-operative will be clearer.



HERE IS GOLD EYE LAKE CAMP'S MAIN PAVILION

ARDA DEPENDS HEAVILY ON LOCAL PARTICIPATION

by Mrs. M. L. Roberts, F.W.U.A. Director, District 14

ARDA is basically a long range program to assist farm operators in marginal and sub-marginal agricultural areas through resource development projects. It is, however, also aimed at increasing the productivity of good agricultural lands and the development and conservation of water resources in rural areas.

One of the results will be a broader economic base of resources in an area for the employment and use of local people. Local committees are the real operating arm of such a program.

The Agricultural Rehabilitation and Development Act was passed by the Parliament of Canada May 31, 1961. Its full title is: "An Act to provide for the rehabilitation of agricultural lands and the development of rural areas in Canada, and ARDA is one of the most important pieces of resources conservation and development legislation ever passed. It is the first national program of rural development.

The legislation is very general and flexible in nature and will allow the federal and provincial governments, local agencies, groups and individuals to enter into agreements to develop the resources of an area through projects which are sound in principle, practical in operations, acceptable to all. It is basically a long range program to assist farm operators in marginal and sub-marginal agricultural areas through resource development projects.

Three Major Programs

Three major programs are outlined in the Act. The first type of project is to provide for the alternative uses of marginal lands. These are lands where economic studies have shown the waste of capital, resources and human effort through regular farming systems. Further studies have shown that more efficient use can be made of these lands for grazing purposes, tree production, recreation and wildlife purposes, and urban and industrial growth. The second major part of the program deals with projects aimed at increasing the productivity of good agricultural lands and also with the development and conservation of water resources in rural areas.

The third major program in the Act is concerned with projects for the development of income and employment opportunities in rural agricultural areas and for improving standards of living in those areas.

Alternative Uses of Land

A wide range of projects will be discussed for joint action programs. Some of the projects that may be carried out through federal-provincial agreement and designed to increase productivity of lands in rural areas, not required for cultivation, include many general types such as: community pastures; pastures by farmers on marginal lands; reforestation of marginal lands; farm woodlots; tree farming; public recreation projects and public shooting and wild life management areas.

Soil and water conservation is

not new. At the local and provincial level a great deal has been done. In the western provinces the P.F.R.A. may not have done all it was set out to do, but it has provided services for 25 years to individual farmers and groups of farmers in resource development in certain regions.

Under ARDA provision is made for two kinds of projects, namely: for the development and conservation of water in rural areas; and for soil improvement and conservation to increase efficiency for crop production. Some of the project ideas advanced are: Drainage of good farm lands, protection from flooding including dikes, stream improvement, main ditching systems, flood control dams, water supply for agricultural purposes, including water storage, dams and dugouts, shelter belts and other soil erosion controls; stone removal on good arable land; grazing and terracing to prevent erosion, maintenance of water levels for stability of agricultural production and related food control, wildlife and recreational purposes, engineering or cost-benefit analyses.

More immediate programs will probably be in soil and water projects, alternative land use, community pasture development, tree farming, parks development and forestation.

Community Approach

Under rural development, the program is based on the community or regional approach. Local people will play a large part in looking at their own problems in a given area. Rural development areas may be selected and it is suggested they should be about the size of a county, where rural development committees may be set up. These committees may include representatives of existing organizations, and with the assistance of both levels of government, carry out studies of the economic development factors affecting their rural areas.

The principal aim of rural development is to broaden the economic base of resources in an area for the employment and use of local people.

In preparation for carrying out a program under ARDA for Rural Development Areas studies may include: Present land use; resource development opportunities for increasing income in the rural development area; needs for soil and water conservation in the area; marketing studies; studies of employment, labour and vocational

training needs; studies of off-farm employment and industrial development opportunities.

Varying Technical Details

Rural development is aimed at the whole range of economic and social activity in the community. At the federal level an interdepartmental rural development committee made up of nine federal departments has been set up. Most of the provinces have established interdepartmental ARDA committees. The technical details of the rural development approach will vary from province to province and from area to area.

To carry out a study program such as has been suggested, information and guidance are necessary. A group needs to know about: federal program, policies and activities; provincial programs, policies and activities; local conditions and problems.

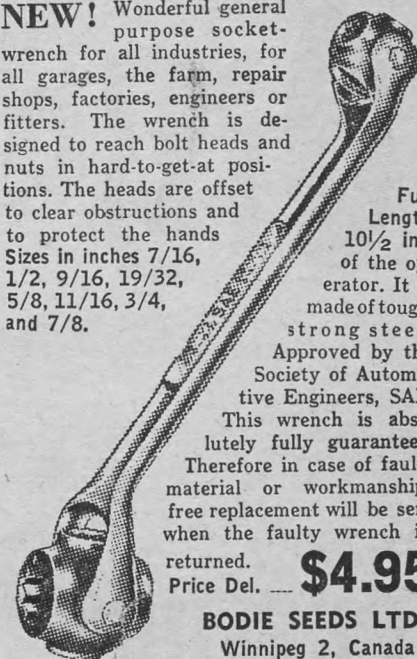
The Alberta Legislature introduced a bill to extend the federal-provincial Agricultural Redevelopment Assistance projects in rural

development works. The bill will allow the extension of ARDA projects into community pastures, recreation tree planting, upstream water storage and other fields. The Minister of Agriculture has powers to enter agreements with the federal government in connection with farm or other land use, conservation, irrigation and water development, farm credit and crop insurance.

"In order to make the ARDA program work, every citizen must co-operate with and actually become a part of the development program of his community," R. A. Stutt, head of the land economics unit, Economics Division, Canada Department of Agriculture, stated in a talk on ARDA. Mr. Stutt stresses ARDA's dependence on local initiative, local planning, local action. Local committees are the real operating arm of a rural development program. The success of ARDA will depend in large measure on the degree of local participation it secures.

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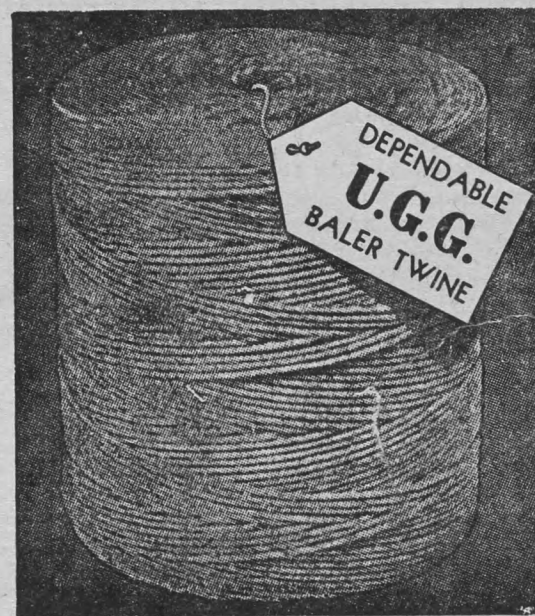
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Staff will be provided by the F.U.A., F.W.U.A., Jr. F.U.A., United Grain Growers, Alberta Wheat Pool, Federated Co-operative, Co-op Federations, U.F.A. Co-operative, F.U. & C.D.A., Alberta Department of Agriculture, Canadian Citizenship Branch, University Extension, and the Agricultural Schools.

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JR. F.U.A. GOT NEW PRESIDENT, MEMBERSHIP OVER 9,000

Jerald Hutchinson, Warner, will be this year at the helm of the Jr. F.U.A., and Eugene Elm, Hardisty, will assist him as first vice-president. Both are well known Jr. F.U.A. members as they have been connected with the organization for quite a few years.

George Doupe, Oyen, who in his own quiet but efficient way has guided the Juniors for one year, considered the time had come to step down. Gerald Schuler, Hilda, stays on as chairman of the camp committee.

Pheona Kuehn, Warner, won the Queen Contest. She was crowned at the final banquet of the Annual Farm Young People's Week in Athabasca Hall on the University Campus by Dr. W. H. Johns, president of the U. of A. Her ladies-in-waiting were Miss Patty Bonnett of Ponoka and Miss Sylvia Krebs of Bruderheim. The financial results of the contest were a little bit better than last year. An amount of \$1451.00 was realized from it.

The Jr. F.U.A. debating trophy was won by the Gibbons F.U.A. local team of Bernard Blom and Bob Foster. The topic was: Resolved that the family farm should be replaced by large corporate farms. Angus Park and Marilyn Loosmore represented the other finalists, the team from Three Hills.

Gerald Schuler reported about Gold Eye Lake Camp in which till now an amount of \$23,000 has been invested. Quite a few cabins are ready and work on the main pavilion is progressing nicely. Three camps are organized for this summer. One will be a Co-op camp, another will consider consumer buying and the motivations behind it. The third camp will bring together white and Indian young people. It is organized by the Citizenship Branch.

Mr. Ed Nelson, president of the F.U.A., stressed that Gold Eye Lake Camp is one of the most important endeavors of the Juniors. It is a symbol of a concerted effort to achieve something by and for rural young people.

On May 31 the total membership was 9,023, a figure which can stand some improvement.

A panel discussion entitled "A critical examination of the Jr. F.U.A.", didn't contain criticism, but Bill Harper and Mrs. K. Dowhaniuk gave some good hints about leading a group and programming for a meeting. Bill Harper pointed out the great importance of leader-

ship, which must help young people to open the door into the world of the grown ups. The means to go through that door must also be listed. Some "thinking sessions" of little groups can be very helpful for the well being of the local.

Mrs. Dowhaniuk stated that any program must realize the needs of the young people of today, and it must have a social base. Also it must not be confined only to those who want to become farmers. Special interests must be met by special courses, and more distinction between age groups is needed.

Both panelists answered in the affirmative a question of moderator Mr. Ed Nelson: Do we have too much organization?

Several awards were presented June 20. Prize for the best notebook kept by a girl went to Dianna

Jack, Pincher Creek; grain judging prize to Joseph Will, Milo; the Alberta Wheat Board Trust Monies Scholarship, to Paul Fedec, Boyle, and Carol King, Arrowwood. The home economics prize went to Pheona Kuehn, Warner; the cattle production trophy to Kenneth Storch, Castor; the swine production trophy to Glen Olsen, Wingham, and the soils prize to Dale Morden, Lethbridge; the co-operatives and credit union prize to Jack Vandervalk, Claresholm, and the public speaking prize to Ron Sauve, Gleichen.

The 44th annual Farm Young People's Week was attended by 123 farm young people. Forty of them were sponsored by F.U.A. and F.W.U.A. locals.

Miss Ferne Tinney, Cobourg, Ont., and Mr. Murray Gaunt, Wingham, Ont., who were guests of the Jr. F.U.A. for more than two weeks, attended the annual meeting.

Spruce Valley F.U.A.

Spruce Valley FUA local held its regular bi-monthly meeting at the home of Mr. Nick Zilinski. Mr. H. Boles, a public relations officer from Federated Co-op gave a talk on co-operatives. A film of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool was shown. The next meeting will be held on August 3 at the home of Mr. John Broton.

THE PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR

- June 4—F.U. & C.D.A. Policy Council Meeting
Annual Safety Awards Dinner, Edm.
- June 6 & 7—F.U.A. Executive Meeting
- June 8—Guest Speaker at Hairy Hill Farmers' Day Celebration
- June 11—District 11 Convention, Youngstown
- June 12—District 13 Convention, Brooks
- June 13—District 14 Convention, Warner
- June 14—District 12 Convention, Pincher Creek
- June 15—District 10 Convention, Olds
- June 18—Speaker at Jr. F.U.A. Annual Meeting
- June 20—District 1 Convention, Grande Prairie
- June 21—District 2 Convention, Peace River
- June 25—District 9 Convention, Ponoka
- June 26—District 6 Convention, St. Michael
- June 27—District 8 Convention, Bawlf
- June 29—District 5 Convention, Evansburg
- June 30—District 3 Convention, Hazel Bluff

LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE FARMER

The basic purpose of Farmer's Comprehensive Liability Insurance is to protect the farmer against the liability imposed upon him for damages to persons or property caused by accident. It includes accidents occurring on the premises and from acts of himself, his family and employees. Accidents arising out of the operations of the farmer's machinery and equipment will be covered, except where the equipment is required to be licensed and can be covered by an automobile insurance policy. It protects the farmer from the result of negligent acts of employees as long as these are acting within the scope of their employment. It also protects him financially in the case of injuries to employees during their regular employment. However, it is not a personal Accident insurance policy.

This form of insurance covers all the operations over which farmers have control:

1. The operation of lands that are owned, leased or held by him;
2. The use, operations and control of property, buildings, equipment and livestock;
3. Quality of products intended for consumption;
4. Acts of employees under his control;
5. Custom farming for others;
6. Personal activities of his family and himself;
7. Responsibility towards safety of employees;
8. All other farm operations.

Accidents may occur solely through the farmer's negligence, in which case he is completely liable. In some cases it may be the farmer's negligence and partly the negligence of other persons suffering the damages. Still, in other cases an accident may be solely caused by the person suffering the

damages. If the farmer is responsible for the accident, the public expect him to compensate the injured for medical expenses, loss of income while off work, suffering, and all other losses such as dismemberment, loss of sight, death and funeral expenses. If the common law finds the farmer wholly or partially responsible for the accident, then the farmer must, by law, pay for the injuries or damages.

The usual procedure in case of an accident for which a farmer is responsible is:

1. To take immediate care, in comforting the injuries and taking immediate action to have the injured receive medical assistance.
2. To receive a demand for compensation of injuries etc.
3. To retain a lawyer to handle the affairs.

This can result for the farmer in considerable loss of time and payment of considerable amounts of money. To protect against this financial loss a Farmer's Comprehensive Liability Insurance can be purchased.

We will give more information about this type of insurance in a next issue.

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ONLY A PENNY EACH DAY KEEPS TV FROM GOING ASTRAY

The operation of the CBC costs the Canadian people one cent per person per day, which is paid through taxes. Time and again it is claimed that the Canadian people don't have to "suffer this loss", because private stations could do the same job without anybody having to pay one penny for it. Changing a line of Vergil a little bit, we can say: "I don't trust private business when they offer something for nothing." This article checks statements and figures.

All radio and television stations in Great Britain were entirely owned and operated by the British Broadcasting Corporation from 1921 until 1955. In that year, after 34 years of government monopoly, privately-owned TV stations were granted licenses and now a number of such stations are in operation in the British Isles.

Mr. H. Carleton-Greene, Director-General of the BBC, speaking to the Ottawa Branch of the Canadian Club last November, had this to say about this situation. "The BBC and commercial companies are, in fact, entirely different animals. Public service broadcasting exists to serve the public; commercial broadcasting as we know it, exists to sell goods—it is part of the business of manufacture and distribution. The two systems do not have, and cannot have, common objectives."

In Canada, we have had both government and privately-owned networks since 1932. Four special commissions and numerous Parliamentary Committees over the past 40 years have unanimously supported the idea that Parliament should have final control of the air in Canada through a body set up by government, for that purpose and answerable only to Parliament. There is, however, a growing concern among Canadians that this concept is being gradually eroded away.

In recent years, the CBC has been under constant attack by various interests which believe that this government-owned corporation should be scrapped and that radio and TV broadcasting in Canada should be turned over entirely to private interests, as it is in the U.S.A.

For example, the Edmonton Journal, in an editorial on June 3, 1959, suggested that the CBC should be "wrapped up", which presumably means sold or otherwise disposed of. On April 9, 1960, the same paper reprinted an editorial from the Vancouver Province entitled "Time to sell the CBC." This editorial ended as follows — "In the CBC we have a magnificent opportunity to demonstrate our confidence in the efficiency and resourcefulness of free enterprise, and to turn over to it a publicly-owned giant that is becoming too big for the taxpayers to feed." The central theme of these and other such articles is that the CBC is running at a loss or deficit and that the people of Canada cannot afford to make up this deficit out of public taxation.

These suggestions are completely incorrect. First of all, the CBC does not and cannot operate at a loss. It is set up to provide radio and TV programs for the people of Canada. This requires money. In 1961 the CBC cost of operations was just over \$100 million. Of this amount over \$38 million was received from advertising. The remainder of the money, roughly \$60 million, was received from the government, out of taxes.

This amounts to just over \$3.00 per person in Canada—or less than 1c per person per day. This is not a "loss", as many would have us

believe. The CBC has no money to "lose". It would be equally accurate to say that our schools operate at a loss.

Misrepresentation

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture in a special submission to the House of Commons in July, 1960, said, "Critics of the CBC have fostered the completely wrong notion that government money spent by the CBC for broadcasting is a loss that really should be largely unnecessary. The statement that the government contribution to the CBC is a 'loss' or a deficit should never be accepted because it is not correct and misrepresents the nature of our broadcasting policy in Canada. The attitude taken by the C.F.A. has been that public money is a proper source of funds for national broadcasting..."

Critics of the CBC point to the fact that private stations receive no government help, and yet they manage to operate and make money, through the sale of advertising time. The CBC, they say, can do the same. In this way, Canadian taxpayers would get their programs without cost. There are several things wrong with this argument.

Money to be made

First of all, there is no doubt that money can be made in broadcasting. A Canadian, Mr. Roy Thomson, in speaking about private TV in Great Britain, said, "having a commercial television broadcast in Britain is like having a licence to print one own bank notes".

Mr. Graham Spry, in an article in the publication "Canadian Communications" said, in 1961, that profits in radio and TV in Canada run from nil to 54% of sales. An estimate by the Canadian Bank of Commerce Bulletin of June, 1960 indicates an average profit of about 15%. Since the gross revenue for all private stations in Canada was \$124 million in 1960, 15% of this is over \$18½ million, which is clear profit after all expenses. There is therefore not the slightest doubt that the CBC, if it took all the advertising it could get, could make a barrel of money.

However, "he who pays the piper calls the tune". If the CBC took such advertising, it would also have to use programs which the advertisers agreed to.

Labor Congress, a strong supporter of the CBC, said in a brief to the Government of Canada in January, 1960, "the CBC can get its money . . . from the advertisers . . . at a price."

Bad examples

The price, of course, would be that we would hear endless "commercials", cheap, worn-out western films and questionable "funny men" hour upon hour over radio and TV. As an example of what happens when a station depends upon advertising, we have this analysis, presented to the Fowler

Commission on Canadian Broadcasting in 1957 by Prof. D. W. Smythe of Illinois. He pointed out that the English language TV stations in Canada carried 30% film programs, nearly all of it American, and less than 15% local live programs, mostly sports, news and weather and 55% CBC programs. The remaining time, less than one hour per day included children's programs, public affairs, literature and arts, science, youth programs, local drama, etc., each of which averaged less than one minute per day per station.

The CBC owns 17 TV stations and 48 radio stations. It has affiliated with it 100 privately-owned TV stations and 150 privately-owned radio stations. As Prof. Smythe points out, the CBC provides these stations with 55% of their programs free, including distribution costs over wire or microwave. The CBC meets all of this cost out of its \$100 million budget. This contribution to private broadcasting is part of the CBC's so-called "loss".

Now let's have a look at the final suggestion that all this service—all these programs—could be free to the Canadian taxpayer, paid for by the advertisers. It's pretty easy to see the hole in this argument. We need only to recall the statement made by Mr. Carleton Green at the beginning of this article. "Commercial broadcasting exists to sell goods. It is part of the business of manufacture and distribution."

These advertisers of Canada paid \$162 million in 1960, to radio and TV stations. Where did they get the \$162 million? By marking up the price of their goods and services by that much at least. In other words the consumers—the people of Canada, paid this \$162 million advertising bill when they bought their bread and cigarettes and automobiles and other items which were advertised over radio and TV. It makes no difference whether it is paid to the CBC through taxes, or to business organizations as increased prices. It is still \$162 million out of the pockets of the people of Canada.

There is one difference, however. If it is paid through taxes to the CBC, the people of Canada have a voice in the kind of programs they get for their money. If it is paid to the private broadcasters we take what we get. And if the CBC did not provide the private stations with much of their programs how would they fill up that extra time? With more commercials, cheap Westerns, and other valueless and uninspiring trivia, in the name of entertainment? Such material is already costing us \$162 million. It might well cost us twice as much if Canada had only commercial radio and TV. That \$60 million bill from the CBC, paid out of our tax money—that one cent per person per day—is a much better bargain.

ANNUAL MEETING

ALBERTA LIVESTOCK CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

The Annual Meeting of Alberta Livestock Co-operative Limited will be held in the Macdonald Hotel, Edmonton, on July 5th and 6th, 1962.

Directors will report to delegates that the Association's handlings for fiscal year ending May 31, 1962 were as follows:

Cattle & Calves	189,450 head, increase	7.8%
Hogs	498,975 head, increase	13.3%
Sheep	21,952 head, increase	25.2%

The gross value of all livestock handled was \$2,575,641 larger than during the previous year at \$44,802,973.

Co-operative Shipping Associations were the major factor in establishing prices for Alberta hogs, providing 78.2% of the hogs sold by A.L.C.

Bulk of cattle sold were directed to A.L.C. Edmonton and Calgary Public Market Agencies with 85.6% of the cattle and calves being provided by members at large.

The public is invited to attend this annual meeting and learn at first-hand what has been done, what is being done, and just how this grass-roots organization operates.

DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS FOR FAT LAMBS

Effective on July 1st, 1962 and for a 9 month period, lambs will be supported through the 'deficiency payment' method.

As with hogs, payments will be based on a National Average.

If the National Average selling price is \$18.80 per hundred pounds, live weight, or more, payments will not be made. If under \$18.80 nationally, adjustments will be made.

Quality Premiums will remain in effect.

Lambs that will make 'Good' & 'Choice' carcasses weighing 36 to 56 pounds are eligible for Deficiency Payments and for Quality Premiums.

Lamb producers should market only well finished lambs in a 80 to 110 pound weight range and should retain government grade certificates as they will need to apply for deficiency payments if they're applicable.

F.W.U.A. PRESIDENT REPORTS

Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite

At the time of writing we have completed five of our District Conventions—Districts 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14. There have been good turnouts and lively discussions. But it seemed to me that more time should have been spent on organization, marketing boards and public owned power.

In regard to organization, changes are forcing themselves upon us. This is seen in resolutions asking for amalgamation of the F.U.A. and A.F.A. In the final analysis one farm organization is enough. The name doesn't matter, but the basic structure should be such as to provide an adequate "thinking and active" arena for farm people to work in. We need to set up some guidance as to how our co-operatives fit into this plan, and what group should make policy. It sounds simple but as soon as one group voices an opinion, this big "I" begins to rise. Each group feels they are the most important and someone is trying to clip their wings. Somehow we have to overcome this and a good place to start is at the local level in district conventions. Some very definite conclusions should have been made on marketing boards, whether we press strongly for them or drop them.

We have kicked public ownership of power around for some time too, and I think here again we should have come to something definite. Only the members can make these decisions and I hope they won't delay them too long.

The citizenship project of the F.W.U.A. is coming along nicely—The camp is for Indian and non Indian students. There will be 15 Indian and 10 non Indian students between 16 and 20 years of age and from grades 9 to 12. The Co-operatives, the F.U.A. and F.W.U.A. are sponsoring the students. The theme of the camp is "Sharing our Cultural Heritage". The program committee is Mr. Bill Wuttunee, a lawyer with the Citizenship Branch and Miss Violet King, an Alberta girl, also a lawyer. The purpose is to share leadership skills, share ideas, understand citizenship, share the Indian and non Indian cultures.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harper are to be Camp Father and Mother, and I plan on spending full time there too.

We are running into a bit of difficulty with blankets and pillows for the camp. If any F.W.U.A., F.U.A. or Junior local would like to assist us by sending us these items, we would be very grateful. If you would send them to me at Red Deer, I will deliver them to the camp.

Dates for the camp are August 12 to 18 at the Gold Eye Lake Camp Nordegg.

Elections are over, with no stable majority for any party, at a cost of eleven million dollars to the taxpayers. In a recent television broadcast I heard that business sets aside so much money for political expenditure. This money is then divided in such a way that the

party in power receives 60% of the total and the opposition 40%. This leaves the splinter parties on their own and perhaps it is better this way.

District 11 F.W.U.A. Conference

Four very successful F.W.U.A. conferences were held in District 11 during the last week in May, with the women of Helmsdale FUA local, East Drumheller FWUA local, Wild Rose FWUA local and the Fleet FWUA local as hostess locals. Mrs. James Hallum, FWUA 2nd vice-president of the FWUA and Mrs. Russell Johnston, District 11 FWUA director, were the speakers at the conferences.

Mrs. Hallum dealt fully with the brief to the Committee set up by the federal government to study health needs across Canada. This excellent brief, largely the work of the FWUA, FUA and the AFA, and was based on the FWUA Health Policy which requests a national health insurance.

Mrs. Hallum was a member of a committee appointed to set up the two-year course for training dental assistants at the University of Alberta, Edmonton. There are 19 girls now taking the course and one, who started, transferred to dentistry. They receive financial assistance and spend their summer working for a dentist. This course should be brought to the attention of young people considering university this fall.

Mrs. Hallum told of the work of a committee appointed by the provincial government to study the laws governing the care and treatment of mental patients. She represents the FWUA as a lay member of this committee. Any suggestions from locals or individuals will be welcomed.

Mrs. Johnston based her talk on "Equity". The motto of one of the founding organizations was "Equal opportunity for all, special privileges for none." The pioneer farm organizations worked for equity for the farmers in the economic field. The farm women worked for equity for rural children in the field of education.

Farm women worked also hard to bring equal opportunities to rural people in the field of health, pioneering for municipal hospitals, the travelling clinics and later the rural health units, National Hospital Insurance and now National Health Insurance. In the field of social welfare they have tried to bring about equity to underprivileged people and have opposed discrimination against our Indian people and other racial groups. Today the principle of equity must be

extended to all peoples of the world. Mrs. Johnston outlined the work of the "Voice of Women" whose motto is "There Shall Be No War!"

Each of the conferences had features which were of special interest to their own groups. At Helmsdale, Mrs. Leonard Westlund, gave an excellent report of the Banff Leadership Course which she attended last March. We hope that in the future more of our women will be able to attend this course. An interesting and worthwhile buzz session discussed the problem of racial discrimination. At Delia Mrs. Chambers, retiring FWUA sub-director, gave an inspiring talk and the women were pleased that, as alternate sub-director, she will continue to assist the locals in her area. Mrs. Adie discussed her radio program ask-

ing the ladies to forward special papers prepared for their meetings for use in her radio broadcasts. The Square Deal conference had a number of new features. Instead of the local report some of the locals presented an item for the program which proved to be varied and exceptionally interesting. For the handicraft display each local brought two items and the local members told how they were made. A special feature was the Chinese auction of a beautiful wall lamp made by Mrs. Vanderlow of a juniper root. This created considerable fun and produced a nice sum for Gold Eye Lake Camp.

The FWUA sub-directors elected are (1) Mrs. E. MacAulay, Consort; (2) Mrs. J. Adie, Box 356, Drumheller, (3) Mrs. D. Hansen, Sunnynook, (4) Mrs. L. Westlund, Esther.



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Gold Eye Lake Camp Coming Along Nicely

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The most significant thing is the interest shown by areas farthest away from the camp. This is, I am sure, an expression of a sincere desire to co-operate with the rest of the province in carrying out a project for rural people.

The change which has taken place in the last few weeks is that in addition to the clearing of the recreation area, 4 dormitory cabins, the wash house and cook shelter, and the wiring of the present buildings are completed. A power plant has been purchased. The building of the main pavilion is an example of what can be done when we combine our efforts.

I hope that you have not the impression that our work is over. There is still a part for each of us to play in building and promoting this camp.

Activities for the camp are:

July 29 to August 4 — Co-op Week for young people between 16 and 21 years, sponsored by F.U. & C.D.A.

August 6 to 8 — A session in Financing and Consumer Education for anyone over 21 years.

August 12 to 18 — Gold Eye Citizenship Seminar for younger persons between 16 and 20 years, having an educational standing of at least grade nine.

Gerald Schuler,
Camp Chairman



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FOR SALE—Cast iron drainboard sink, never used \$25.00. E. Nelson, Brightview, Phone Ponoka, Phone 322-96.

• Anthony Hill sold another half dozen cook books. Eighteen members attended the meeting, which decided to pay half of Patty Bonnett's expenses to FYPW.

• Heath sent 25c per member to the ACWW fund.

• Griffin Creek sent \$10.00 to the school for retarded children in Grande Prairie. \$14.50 was donated to Berwyn Girl Guides and Brownies and a member of the Jr. FUA will be sponsored to the Teen Camp at Fairview College in the first week of July.

• Fairview also will sponsor a young person to this camp. A clean-up day was held at the Waterhole cemetery with the local serving lunch.

Social and Economic Studies by F.U. & C.D.A.

The F.U. & C.D.A. has completed preliminary work for a special social and economic survey in F.U.A. Districts 1, 4, 5 and 9. Mr. H. G. Puffer, an Agrologist formerly with the Settlement Division of the Immigration Branch, has been named Research Assistant to conduct these studies. He has considerable experience in conducting surveys for the federal government, and has a keen interest in the welfare of rural people.

This is the first time that a study of this nature has been conducted in Alberta and the resulting documents and reports will provide a basis for developing a program for local rural people.

It is also hoped that this study will focus attention on the real needs in rural areas and that ultimately through the F.U. & C.D.A. the human and economic resources of the community may be better used to the best advantage of all.

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Take Safety Seriously — everywhere— all the time. Around bodies of water (both large and small) be especially careful. Learn to handle guns properly. Include safety in farm family vacation plans.

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DIST. 13 HAD A GOOD CONVENTION

By Bertie Anderson

"The opinion of farm people when they are properly informed cannot be disregarded, said Mr. Ed Nelson, President of the Farmers' Union of Alberta at the District 13 convention held in Brooks on June 12. However, he also stressed the importance of unity of opinion among farmers, and suggested that at present they may be dispersing their efforts in too many directions.

In view of this assumption, Mr. Nelson pointedly ask the delegates for their opinion on giving delegate standing at the annual convention to all directors and delegates of the various co-ops. This he thought might bring about co-ordination of thought and effort to a greater degree among the leading farm organizations. A brisk discussion period followed with some delegates lending support and others suggesting uncertainty as to how this may effect the control of our organization. Anders H. Anderson, F.U.A. Executive member, supported Mr. Nelson in stating that there is a trend of all big business to co-ordinate their efforts by amalgamating to survive.

Mrs. Hazel Braithwaite, F.W.U.A. President, said, "The name of our organization is of no importance so long as the basic structure is such that all segments of agriculture are taken care of." She further suggested that perhaps we should devote one day of our annual convention to commodity groups for discussion of our problems and resolutions. It is the co-ops duty to do a job but not to make policy. Briefs are continually being compiled by the F.U.A. and the F.W.U.A. to keep the view points of the farm people before the governments.

Continuity Necessary

Alvin Gaetz, Junior executive member, stressed the importance of continuity and long-range programme planning in the Junior F.U.A. He stated that objectives are a necessity and the Junior F.U.A. should work in closer contact with 4-H clubs. He suggested that the ideal age group for Junior F.U.A. is 18-27 years, and prior to that the farm young people miss a golden opportunity if they do not belong to 4-H clubs.

Progress of Gold Eye Lake Camp was outlined to date. An all out effort will be made this year to raise funds to complete this educational project which will cost \$70,000 to \$80,000.

Carl Anderson, Manager of the Eastern Irrigation District remarked, "These young people are keenly interested in the prosperity of Alberta, and the F.U.A. is a democratic way of improving farm conditions."

Jack Muza, Director of District 13, referred in his report to the delegates of the drought condition which has prevailed in this district for the past three years. The suggestion from the Federal Minister of Agriculture for a feed bank, which was previously ignored, is now given some thought by our provincial government. It is suggested that this could be a pilot project under ARDA. They have promised to begin this study.

Another result of the drought conditions was the formation of the Medicine Hat Drought Feed Association, which is a separate organization from the F.U.A. but its formation was initiated by the F.U.A.

Improper Use of Chemicals

George Philpott of the Agricultural Service Board warned of the improper use of chemicals on the farm. Especially those which affect the red-blooded species of life. The grasshopper infestation has caused great alarm and in our efforts of hopper-control we might remember these facts. Livestock can pick up and store chemicals in their animal fat for as long as 12 months. Humans may also store chemicals in the same way and eventually this presence may cause some weakness or detriment to health. In the past year traces of DDT have been found in human

fat and this is of concern to the Department of Health.

Mr. Duncan Hargrave of the Brooks Horticultural Station told the convention that each farmer should formulate some program to improve his surroundings. The replacement of dying shelter belts should be practiced in a routine of rotation. The Green Ash has proven very satisfactory in dry areas and a new tree the Manchurian Elm, is also considered highly drought-resistant. The Grif-fin Poplar is a non-drought resistant variety for irrigated areas.

Dick Hargrave explained the advantages of "Corrugation Type Irrigation and Border Dykes", two improved methods of irrigation.

Resolutions

A number of resolutions were presented and discussed, eight of which were passed and will be forwarded as directed to the annual convention. The following is the content of several of the resolutions.

1. Request the Department of Agriculture to make an immediate resurvey of the drought stricken area of Southern Alberta.
2. Press the demand for a plebiscite for the public ownership of power.
3. Request the Alberta Government to be more diligent in enforcing the present act covering the

FWUA HI-LITES

• **Berrywater** voted \$50.00 to send Billy Sharp to Farm Young People's Week. An invitation of the Red Cross to have a joint picnic on July 15 at High River was accepted.

• **Utopia** made different contributions and sponsored a local girl to Farm Young People's Week.

• **Gwynne** has 12 active members and donated 25c for each to the ACWW delegate fund.

• **Sydenham-Gerald** donated \$30 to Gold Eye Lake Camp as no youngster was sponsored for Farm Young People's Week.

• **Dakota** helped to send Kenneth Jensen to Farm Young People's Week. Cook books are selling very well.

• **Westlock** had 10 members present, who were busy enough.

• **Edmonton** had two visitors. As the president Mrs. Stetson is on a long tour of the British Isles and

inspection of sewers installed in farm homes.

4. Request the Federal Government to include income tax deductions against the cost of land levelling.

The delegates had the feeling that they had an excellent and most informative convention.

the Continent, vice-president Mrs. Ehrenfield presided.

• **One Tree** decided to have a raffle at every meeting. Everybody will pay 25c for a ticket and the winner will supply the raffle prize for the next meeting.

• **McNally** is studying the matter of the integration of the Indians.

• **Burnt Lake** donated \$10.00 to the Cancer Society and \$2.50 to the ACWW travel fund.

• **Sunnynook** elected Annie Stifle as representative on District 11 Board.

• **Red Deer Lake** had 18 members present and one visitor. The next meeting will be held in September.

• **Warner** has been very active for Gold Eye Lake Camp. Another donation of \$25.00 was made. Warner's queen candidate was crowned queen at the final banquet of Farm Young People's Week.

• **Hillside** met at the home of Mrs. W. Ross. Mrs. H. Fulcher, who is in charge of sewing for the Millet Branch of the Red Cross, reported on the sewing turned in by the six affiliated organizations in and around Millet.

• **Red Deer** favors evening meetings in summer time. The local is also in favor of entertaining other groups, such as Co-ops.

• **Stony Plain** took a three-year subscription on Consumers' Report. Newcomers to the district will be invited to attend the meetings.

F.U.A. Dist. 10 Convention

One hundred and twenty-three people attended the annual FUA District 10 convention on Friday, June 15th held at the Olds School of Agriculture. Forty-three locals were represented, 31 FUA, and 12 FWUA.

The meeting was chaired by FUA District 10 Director, Mr. L. Hilton of Calgary and FWUA Dist. 10 Director, Mrs. Eva Banta of Crossfield.

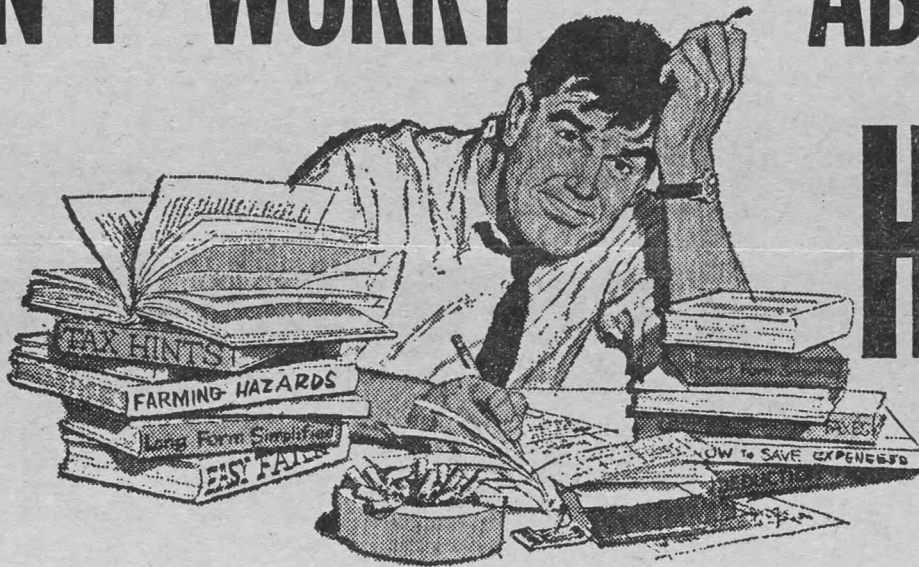
Fifteen resolutions were brought forward by the resolutions committee during the course of the day. Of particular interest to all in District 10 was one passed resolving that the 1963 Annual FUA convention be held in the City of Calgary.

The newly elected slate of officers is: FUA Dist. 10 Director—Richard Page of Didsbury. FWUA Dist. 10 Director—Mrs. Paulina Jasman of Three Hills. FUA Dist. 10 Alternate Director—Ed Kober of Trochu. FWUA District 10 Alternate Director—Mrs. Wayne Gillette of Red Deer.

The Cancer Society and the Red Cross each received a donation of \$5.00.

• **Readymade** toured the Taber potato factory. A bake sale netted \$30.00.

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Never, never, take passengers

By Jane Pilisko, Elk Point School

The sun poured through the open window as the gentle summer breezes made the bright yellow and white gingham curtains billow. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson and their son, Davy, sat at their breakfast table enjoying the savoury goodness of a country breakfast. Mr. Henderson gulped down another cup of delicious hot coffee, swooped the excited Davy on his shoulder and prepared himself for another day in the dusty field under the sweltering sun.

Davy was excited. He fussed and fumed at the delay while his mother made him slip into a jacket. For today, his daddy was taking him for a ride on his tractor—a small boy's dream come true.

As they walked out the door, Mrs. Henderson felt a sudden fear clutch her heart. She had a strange feeling that this was the last time she would see her son so happy. She started to call her husband but already the tractor was roaring out of the yard with Davy bouncing happily on his father's lap. She shrugged and went back to her regular morning duties.

A few hours later, Mrs. Henderson heard the familiar throb of her husband's tractor. She rushed out full of excited questions to ask Davy about his ride. But something was wrong. Davy was not there. Then she saw her husband's grief-stricken face. His eyes were dim with unshed tears and his voice shook with sobs as he told her what had happened and that Davy was at the hospital.

All through the confusion and anxiety of the half mile ride to the hospital, Mrs. Henderson kept thinking about the tragedy just related. Horrid thoughts whirled through her mind. Had Davy screamed in pain when the wheels bit into his legs? What did her husband feel when he saw his son laying there crushed and unconscious? Did he blame himself for taking Davy and letting him fall? Should he blame himself? And most of all, would Davy live? Mrs. Henderson prayed.

Yes, Davy lived, but he will never take another ride or run down the road to meet his father, his tousled hair shining like burnt copper in the sun. Five-



These four kids are the happily smiling prize winners in the 12th Farm Safety Essay Competition of the Alberta Safety Council. Front row from left to right: Stuart Adamic, Thorsby School, grade 6, second prize; Martin Truss, Herrington School, grade 8, second prize; His Honor, Lieut. Gov. J. Percy Page; Jane Pilisko, Elk Point School, grade 8, first prize; Ronald John Sharuga, Duffield School, grade 6, first prize. Two of the winning essays, "Never, never take a passenger" of Jane Pilisko and "Just run time too many" of Ronald Sharuga, are published on this page.

Fifty-six school divisions or counties entered the contest with 48,982 pupils in grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 taking part, more than in any previous year. The winners and their teachers received an all expense paid trip to Edmonton to receive their prizes from His Honor, Lieut. Gov. J. Percy Page.

year-old Davy would never walk again. The huge wheels had torn flesh and killed nerves in his legs and the doctors were forced to amputate.

When Mr. and Mrs. Henderson look at their invalid, helpless

son in his wheelchair, they remember the day Davy's father had broken one of the tractor safety rules. This rule is never, never, take passengers, especially children, on a tractor or, like Mr. Henderson, you'll regret it for the rest of your life.

"Just run time too many."

By Ronald Sharuga, Duffield School

Hello, all you tractor operators. It's me, Jonathan tractor here, with a few words of wisdom.

Now I am sure no one likes accidents, so why are there so many? I am your friend, but when mistreated, a deadly enemy for I can become as uncontrollable as a rampaging monster. Never take a chance, because one careless step may cost you your life. When serious thought is given to the way you are handling me, I will do the job you have given me, the best I can. If you look ahead for possible dangers instead of day-dreaming, you will be able to guard against them in time. When you decide to treat me as thoughtlessly as possible, you are urging me to cause another one of the accidents of which kill and injure 200,000 persons every year. Trust me with as much thought and consideration as you would an old friend.

Tractor accidents can be prevented. Loss of life, property and gain of grief are the only results of an accident. When conditions prevail where driving is difficult and dangerous you must be careful and alert. I don't recommend night driving, unless absolutely necessary. On hills, curves, rough surfaces and icy roads I should be given as much concern as possible.

Safety rules are made to be observed and remembered for your own good. They are not just useless words written down and published because someone wanted something to do, but for greater happiness and security. When you are driving me, you must remember to keep your mind on me, not the cow that hasn't been milked yet or your impatient wife who wants to ride into town. The other things can wait, but death or injury cannot.

Most accidents happen when I am on an incline too steep for me, or when I am being thoughtlessly driven at too great a speed. Those who are killed, never realize their mistake. It is those who are left alive, but crippled, who regret their foolishness. Therefore my friends, think before it is too late. Don't have someone standing over you at the next accident saying, "Yep, ah just knew that was gonna happen. Ole Joe just pushed 'er too fast, just run time too many."

DIVISION WINNERS

The division winners in the Farm Safety Essay contest are given below. The names of the 5 and 6 grades are mentioned first, followed by the 7 and 8 grade group, and the school attended.

Beverly A. Anderson, Gloria Sauter, both Irvine; Sharon Severt, Central and Marvin Clifton, W. R. Myers, Taber div.; Lois Toews, Davidson and Mildred Kubik, Turin, Lethbridge div.; Douglass Hoffman, Greenmound and Valerie Neyfeld, Acadia Valley; Donna McDonald and Corrine Lenfesty both Elmer; Janice Nyeste, Centre Street, and Branda Fortier, Immaculate Conception, Peace River div.; Dorothy Commandeur, Mayerthorpe and Melvine Majeau, Beaupre; Frances Woodward and Frances Matheway, both Heatherwood; Darrel Nagel, Leslieville, and Wilmo Hopper, David Thompson, Rock Mt. div.; Evelina Kohlman, Altario, Linda Hesp, Consort; Kerry McCartney, and Ted Melnyk, both Lamont; Karen Edmunds, A. L. Horton, and Helen Horon, Lavoy, Vegreville div.; Ardele Lindstrand, Round Hill, and Sharon King, Rosalind; Diana Lynowski, New Myrnam and Linda Noster, Derwent; Sandra Stuart, Allan Johnstone, and Dennis Denham, Loughheed, Killam div.; Ronald J. Sharuga and Robert Frame, both Duffield; Jim Sweeney, Woodvale, and Susan Good, Vermilion Elem.; Linda Jane Sprinkle, and Paula Sprinkle, both Macleod elem.; Alberta Dyck, Pincher Creek, 7 and 8 group, no 5 and 6 entry; Leslie Howard, Munson, and Gordon Dewald, Delia; Karen K. Kitchen, Denwood, 7 and 8 grade only; Patricia Wall, and Maryanne Gilpin, both Hughenden; Eleanor Martin, River Glen, and Donald J. Mewha, Spruce View; Judy Lyons, Westlock, and Mary McGee, Jarvie; Cheryl Going, Sheep Creek, and Patricia Ann Laqua, Blackie; Keren Farquharson, Westbrook, and Vicki Winters, Indus; Sharon Law, Grande Centre, and David Hodinsky, Ardmore; Kristi Jacobsen, Prairie River, 7 and 8; Stuart Adamic, and Wayne Dedio, both Thorsby; Joy Hellquist, Worsley Central, and Karen Mazur, Fairview, Fairview div.; Allan McMillan, and Delores Sachko, both Lac La Biche; Tommy Shannon, and Bruce Gibb, both High Level; Sylvia Toews, and Keith Isaac, both Ridgevalley; Bernie Baird, Three Hills, and Linda Anderson, Church Hill; Frank Gibotte, and Wilfred Barcel, both Ft. Chipewyan; Carol Wardill, and Barry Pearson, both Hythe; Anne Marie Gallagher, Brant and Martin Truss, Herrington; Annaliese Datema, Crestmore, and Valerie Fillinger, Mecca Glen; Lily Mah Sen, Brooks, and Beverly Wood, Bassano; Jane P. Fitzgerald, Coutts, and Marsha Duncan, New Dayton; Anna Erickson, and Brian Wood, both Donald; Melvin Svendsen, Newbrook, 7 and 8; Jeanette Little, Manyberries, and Ruth Hanson, Senator Gershaw, County of Forty Mile; Gordon Ferguson, Clear Vista, and Janet Scott, Millet; Jerry Bentz, Barrhead, and Neil Ewart, J. R. Harris, County of Barrhead; Annette Reimer, Ellscoot, and Linda Elkjer, Edwin Parr, County of Athabasca; Irene Sokolotsky, H. A. Kostash, and Sylvia Mochulski, Vilna, County of Smoky Lake; Judith E. Collison, James S. McCormick, and Elizabeth McPetridge, Lacombe, County of Lacombe; Valerie Bacon, and Linda Stott, both of Horsehill; Margaret Friesen, Carseland, and Carol Ricard, Standard; Lois Taylor, Reed Ranch, and Barbara Luft, Harmattan; Veronica Griebel, Castor and Helen Polege, Brownfield; Bruce Turner, and Jane Pilisko, both of Elk Point; Charlotte Jones, Campbelltown, and Karen Kilgannon, Ellerslie; Vicki Campbell, Correspondence Branch, 7 and 8.

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